

MISSION OF THE WISCONSIN DENTISTRY EXAMINING BOARD

“To protect the dental health and well being of the public and facilitate access to safe and adequate dental care for all citizens of Wisconsin.”



**PATRICK BRAATZ, DIV. ADMINISTRATOR
FAREWELL AND ACCOLADES TO A VALUED
PUBLIC SERVANT**

The Dentistry Board learned at their November Board meeting that Patrick D. Braatz, the Board's administrator for the last 10 plus years was leaving the Department of Regulation and Licensing at the end of November. Braatz, who was first appointed Administrator of the Division of Health within the Department of Regulation and Licensing in February of 1991, is moving onto a special project position as a Health Service Liaison with the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development.

“It has been a great honor for me to serve as the Administrator of the Wisconsin Dentistry Examining Board these past 10 years,” Braatz said. “Much has been accomplished and the opportunity to work with so many talented people who have been willing to serve on the Dentistry Examining Board has given me the confidence that the profession of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene, is in good hands. The people of Wisconsin can feel confident that the quality of dental care in this state is being carefully watched by this group,” Braatz continued. “I wish continued success to all who serve in this capacity in the future,” Braatz concluded.

Braatz will be working with the many health boards that he served as well as educational institutions and professional associations. In his new role, he will be addressing the health care shortages that have occurred in some health professions in Wisconsin.

Commenting on the departure, Chairman Bruce Barrette stated, “The people of Wisconsin have been fortunate for the past 10 years to have Patrick serve as the Administrator of the Dentistry Examining Board. His commitment and dedication in upholding the highest standards for our profession were exemplary and will be missed. On behalf of all present and past members of the Wisconsin Dentistry Examining Board, we wish him the best in the future.”

**THE WISCONSIN
DENTISTRY
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CONGRATULATIONS AND MANY THANKS, TO BETH JACKO-CLEMENCE, RDH

Beth is known for her consistent role on the Board and depth of knowledge on issues dating back to 1992 (a very, very young appointee!). April 30, 2001 was her last official Dentistry Examining Board Meeting (see photo) -yet she remains an active participant of her profession as an examiner of the Central Regional Testing Service (CRDTS) for dental hygiene applicants.

As Secretary for many years, case advisor and screening panel member for literally hundreds of cases brought before the DEB, Beth also contributed multiple articles for our Wisconsin Regulatory Digest and served in a leadership capacity within the Steering Committee of CRDTS from 1999 to 2000.

She cites both the challenges and achievements during her nine year tenure. One achievement noted was the recent delegation of administration of local anesthetic by a registered dental hygienist with appropriate credentials and training. A rather challenging issue was the delegation of rubber cup polishing to unlicensed professionals as the professional team members differed greatly in opinion.

"What does she hope for the future of the dental profession?" She says with a smile radiant enough to see through the phone line, "the same old story-at the Board (DEB) level or in the dental office...working together as a team...I don't think any ONE of the professions can provide the best dental care alone...we have to keep our focus on the team effort - not one individual. We're all stars!"

She compared it to her daughter's recent water skiing competitions. "Building pyramids, kicklines and stunts. Each gaining strength from the other for a fabulous award winning end result! Individual pride was put aside for the good of the team. Everyone pulling together brought great success...and so it is in a dental practice too."

Ms. Jacko-Clemence will continue working in clinical practice with Dr. Craig Biers, Periodontist in Wauwatosa and spending more time with her husband Keith and three children. In addition, she will be busy getting Colleen ready to spend her senior year in Spain, supporting Kevin at Marquette University (no, not in dentistry...yet!?) and keeping up with 13 year old Jacqueline.

**WELCOME CATHY SCHLEIS RDH --
NEW DENTAL HYGIENIST BOARD
MEMBER AND ART SRB - NEW PUBLIC
MEMBER**

Catherine Schleis, R.DH., DeForest and Art Srb, Lake Du Bay, who were recently appointed and confirmed to serve on the Wisconsin Dentistry Examining Board, are the newest members of the Board.

As a 1977 Northeast Wisconsin Technical College graduate, Catherine brings 23 years of clinical and community health experiences. She is presently working in DeForest with Darryl R. Veit, DDS and Associates.

She is also a clinical faculty member at Madison Area Technical College, has served on the Dental Auxiliary Board at MATC, has been a Reviewer for the State of Wisconsin Department of Regulation and Licensing for both dental and dental hygiene examinations and current examiner with CRDTS.

Cathy has two children, Jeffrey, a senior at the University of Wisconsin-LaCrosse and Kelly, a freshman at Arizona State University.

Art Srb is "pleased and honored" to serve as our newest public member. He brings a unique background to the Board as a University of Nebraska alumnus, a Naval Reservist (serving in the Korean War), and as a retired Associated Press staff writer and correspondent. Living in Madison since 1967 while being in charge of the AP Madison Bureau, he has recently retired and moved to Lake Du Bay to enjoy Wisconsin's 14th largest lake.

Art is proud of his family, which includes his daughter (Deborah), son (John), and grandson (Christopher) who reside in California and Colorado, respectively. An avid gardener, Art loves to tend to his lawn and new pear trees.

"I've always had good teeth, thanks to a lifetime of good dental care. I have great respect for the profession," Art states. He hopes to be a

participant on the board who can assist in seeing that the practice of dentistry and dental hygiene is maintained at the highest level of quality for the citizens of the State of Wisconsin.

**FDA ISSUES LEAD BOX WARNING TO
DENTISTS – As reported by the Associated
Press and New York Times**

The FDA issued a nationwide alert earlier this year directing dental offices to discard dental x-ray film stored in boxes made of wood and lined with lead. The boxes should be discarded promptly and properly; not to be converted for any alternative use and not be made safe by painting or coating them.

Use of these boxes may cause exposure to dental health care workers and/or patients to dangerous levels of lead according to the Federal Food and Drug Administration. Inspectors of dental offices found dental film with a dusting of white powder which contained almost 80 percent lead. Wiping off the powder did not get rid of the lead.

No illnesses have been reported, but the alert warns of adverse health effects to high levels of lead and advises *immediate* assessment of storage containers in dental offices.

Dental films can be stored in any clean containers away from the focal beam of the machine, per manufacturer's instructions.

Contact your local waste hauler for proper disposal methods or EPA's RCRA hotline (800-424-9346).

For more information about public health concerns related to lead, access the website: <http://www.osha/SLTC/lead/index.html>

Resource: FDA Alert Bulletin, The Associated Press, The New York Times on the Web – March 14, 2001.



"Terrorist attacks can shake the foundations of our biggest buildings but they cannot touch the foundation of America. These acts shattered steel but they cannot dent the steel of American resolve. America was targeted for attack because we are the brightest beacon for freedom and opportunity in the world, and no one will keep that light from shining."

President George W. Bush, September 11, 2001

On behalf of our Board Members, we express our deepest sympathy to those who have lost loved ones in the New York, Pennsylvania and Washington D.C. tragedies.

Peace...Hope...Honor...Pride. May the spirit of the New Year remind us of the strength and glory of our nation's freedom and its people. Wishing you and all those close to you the joys of happiness and health.

Disciplines

THOMAS J. MCCARTHY DDS
NEW BERLIN WI

FORFEITURE/REPRIMAND

Allowed unlicensed person to extract a tooth. Pay a forfeiture of \$3,000.00. Effective 5/2/2001. Sec. 447.07(3)0), Stats. Case #LS0105021DEN

HOWARD JAY LUBIN DDS

GREEN BAY

LIMITED/COSTS

Conduct in his practice indicated a lack of knowledge and an inability to apply principles and skills of Endodontics. Must participate in an educational program. His license is limited in that he may not perform or attempt to perform apicoectomies on any patient on or after 9/5/2001. May not perform or attempt to perform any endodontic procedures in his private

practice until he completes an educational program in endodontics. Costs in the amount of \$2500.00. Effective 9/5/2001. Sec. 447.07(3)(h), Stats. Case #LS0109053DEN

STEPHEN W RATER DDS
MADISON WI LIMITED/COSTS
In July, 2000, convicted of 13 misdemeanor counts for submission of false information in conjunction with Medicaid billings from 1994 to 1997. In connection with the criminal conviction, serve 4 years probation, pay \$20,000 in costs, refrain from participation in any state or federally funded health plan, and 200 hours of community service. In addition the board orders submission of probation reports to the department, refer all ANUG patients to independent practitioners, participate in an educational program and practice monitoring. Costs of \$500.00. Effective 5/2/2001. Sec. 943.20(1)(d), Stats. Sec. DE 5.02(5), Wis. Admin. Code. Case #LS0105022DEN

VERN W MANTHEI DDS
WISCONSIN RAPIDS WI LIMITED/SURRENDER
Provided extensive dental treatment to 12 pediatric patients, aged 10 and under, without first obtaining x-rays, which resulted in extensive retreatment. Does not routinely perform x-rays on children. On an adult he filled a root canal, but did not verify that it had been done correctly. His license is limited in that he may not treat any patient under the age of 14. He will surrender his license and registration effective 4/30/2002. Shall not renew or attempt to renew. Effective 9/5/2001. Sec. 447.07(3)(x), Stats. Sec. DE 5.02(1),(5), Wis. Admin. Code. Case #LS0109054DEN

BRIAN C PAINTER DDS
APPLETON WI REPRIMAND/LIMITED/COSTS
Did not administer anesthesia to pediatric patients prior to excavation of caries. Failed to provide the children's parent with viable options for the administration of anesthesia. Shall not treat any patients who are 14 years of age or younger. Costs of \$15,653.86. Effective 5/2/2001. Sec. 447.07(3)(x), Stats. Sec. DE 5.02(1),(5), Wis. Admin. Code. Case #LS9911191DEN

THOMAS G ROOKER DDS
JEFFERSON WI REPRIMAND
Installed a fixed bridge on a patient which was so tight he could not remove the bridge for cementing. Due to the lack of cementation of the fixed bridge, gross caries resulted, which necessitated the surgical removal of both abutment teeth. Ordered to complete 54 hours of continuing education by 9/5/2002. Effective 9/5/2001. Sec. 447.07(3)(a), Stats. Sec. DE 5.02(5), Wis. Admin. Code. Case #LS0109055DEN

JAMES R LANDREMAN DDS
ROSENDALE WI LIMITED
An audit by DEA revealed shortages of lorazepam, diazepam, hydrocodone and acetaminophen which he dispensed to his father. He had taken diazepam and acetaminophen with codeine from clinic supplies for his personal use. In February of 2001 he surrendered his DEA certificate and returned controlled substances from his clinic for destruction. Limited indefinitely. Effective 9/5/2001. Sec. 447.07(3)(a),(L), Stats. Sec. DE 5.02(1),(6),(15),(16),(18), Wis. Admin. Code. Case #LS0109052DEN

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November, 1997, September, 1998, April, 1999, November, 1999, March 2000, October, 2000, May 2001 are on the Web.

Wisconsin Statutes and Code:

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